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"ANTHRAQUINONE QUENCHER DYES,  
THEIR METHODS OF PREPARATION  
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**SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

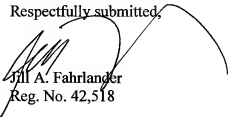
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Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, and in response to the Office communications of June 18, 2007 and March 26, 2007 and to the Office Action of December 19, 2006, Applicants elect the following species without traverse: R<sub>1</sub> is an electron donating group, R<sub>14</sub> is hydrogen, R<sub>15</sub> is hydrogen; and Z is an ethylene linker.

By way of clarification, Applicants acknowledge election of oxygen for R<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>3</sub> and R<sub>4</sub>, and agree that an election of species for R<sub>11</sub> and R<sub>12</sub> is, therefore, unnecessary.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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